

GAS RATES CUT IN QUEENS BY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD



Orders Fix 95-Cent Rate in Second Ward; 85-Cent Rate in Fourth.

APPEAL IS EXPECTED.

Companies Likely to Go to Court, but Consumers Protest Price Is Still Too High.

By Sophie Irene Loeb.

Decisions in two gas rate cases were made to-day by the Public Service Commission. These are the first decision in three years, and the first by the present commission.

The speedy determination of these cases, long urged by The Evening World, following closely on the signing by Gov. Whitman of the 50-cent gas bill for Brooklyn, also championed by The Evening World, will give opportunity for quick rate revision, which is expected to follow.

The orders to be made cover the Second and Fourth Wards of Queens. The rate decided upon in the first is 95 cents per 1,000 feet, and mainly affects the Newtown Gas Company.

The second order covers the Fourth Ward of Queens, for which an 80-cent gas bill was pending in Albany at the adjournment of the Legislature. The rate in this case is set at 85 cents and affects three companies, the Jamaica Gas Light Company, the Richmond Hills Company and the Woodhaven Gas Company.

HOW P. S. BOARD IS HAMPERED IN FIXING RATES.

It is likely that residents of these districts will insist the rates set are still too high; but members of the commission explain that under present laws it is practically impossible to order a rate in which a close margin of calculations may be made, and at the same time stand the test of the courts.

Commissioner Travis Whitney said to-day: "It is most regrettable that the Legislature did not pass the bills the commission recommended. If this had been done it would have been possible to have made a rate perhaps more satisfactory to the consumers and at the same time one which would have stood the test of the courts."

"But under the present law various items must be taken into consideration, and it is difficult for the Public Service Commission to set a rate as low as the

Legislature might do and have it upheld.

"For example, the Public Service Commission must affordatively take into consideration mainly the capital invested; while if a case goes to the courts in an appeal from a rate set by the Legislature, the consideration is based mainly on a fair return on the actual value of the property."

"Also the rate of return is necessarily calculated differently. In the Consolidated Gas case, for example, a 6 per cent. return was deemed sufficient. In a case set by the Public Service Commission it does not always hold the rate is determined as in this case."

LAWYERS THAT FAILED THIS YEAR MUCH NEEDED.

It will also be remembered as pointed out by The Evening World in the Brooklyn fight that in the case of a rate set by the Legislature the burden of proof is on the company to show that the rate is confiscatory, while in an appeal from an order of the Public Service Commission the burden of proof is on the commission to show the rate will give the company a fair return, a different matter and less advantageous to the consumer.

In this connection various items of valuation enter—valuations that the best authorities say should be eliminated from the calculations.

The members of the Public Service Commission are hopeful that the bills which failed in the last Legislature will be passed next year so it will be possible not only to establish rates based on the actual value of the property, but also that an order once issued can be enforced without endless court procedure.

The bills in question would eliminate the right of court review by certiorari, leaving only the ordinary right of appeal, and provide for reparation in delayed rate cases.

THREE BURGLARS BIND WOMAN IN HER BED

Asserting that while in bed she was bound and gagged by men who rifled her rooms and stole jewelry, furs and \$20, Mrs. Helen Constantinos of No. 360 West Fifty-third Street has the police looking for three burglars. Mrs. Constantinos keeps boarders. One

of them discovered her bound and gagged last night and told Policeman Morrissey. According to Mrs. Constantinos she was awakened when one of the intruders lit the gas, and was about to scream when she was silenced by a revolver being shoved into her face. After looting the place the men left by the fire escape. Mrs. Constantinos gave an accurate description of two of the burglars.

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